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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 12, 2003, the following response is being submitted. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the specification are not being made in this paper.

Amendments to the claims are not being made in this paper.

Amendments to the drawings are not being made in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.